

Docket No.: 126433.110

PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: :
Barbera-Guillem :
Serial No. 09/904,744 : Group Art Unit: 1634
Filed: July 13, 2001 : Examiner: Bradley L. Sisson
For: POLYNUCLEOTIDE STRANDS OPERABLY LINKED TO
NANOCRYSTALS FUNCTIONALIZED TO BE WATER SOLUBLE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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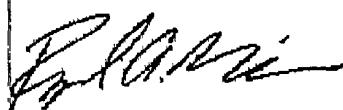
Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the time for a response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2003 for an additional two months from January 23, 2004 to March 23, 2004.

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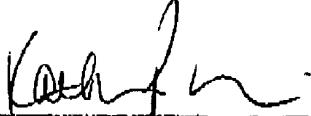
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DATE OF FACSIMILE: March 23, 2004

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION IS BEING
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